**National Statement, delivered by Mr. Muneeb Ahmed, First Secretary, during the 4th UPR of Mexico**

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Mr. President,

Pakistan warmly welcomes the delegation of Mexico. My delegation thanks the head of the delegation for presenting the national report and commends the delegates’ active participation in today’s interactive dialogue.

We recognize Mexico’s efforts and measures to improve protection of its citizens and safeguard their human rights since the 3rd UPR.

In the spirit of constructive engagement, my delegation recommends:

1. Take effective measures to counter incidence of missing persons and disappearances, including enforced disappearances, especially amongst women and girls, and Indigenous persons;
2. Support and protect the family as the fundamental unit of society, and promote the preservation of family values;
3. Protect religious leaders and communities from violent criminal gangs and drug cartels; and,
4. Take further measures to address violence against environmental defenders.

We wish Mexico a successful review.

I thank you, Mr. President.